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1. SUMMARY: ON MARCH 15 ECLA EXECUTIVE SECRETARY IGLESIAS OUTLINED PLANS FOR QUITO MEETING TO REPRESENTATIVES OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES ON COMMISSION. END SUMMARY.

2. PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES. IGLESIAS SAID HE PLANNED READ STATEMENTS TO ECLA BY PRESIDENTS, PRIME MINISTERS, AND FOREIGN MINISTERS AT MARCH 23-24 OPENING SESSION. HE HOPED THAT AS MANY COUNTRIES AS POSSIBLE COULD SEND MESSAGES IN VIEW OF COMMISSION' S 25 TH ANNIVERSARY.

HE SAID HE HAD ALREADY RECEIVED MESSAGES FROM LEADERS OF SEVERAL COUNTRIES, INCLUDING MEXICO, BRAZIL, VENEZUELA AND CUBA.

3. INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY. ACCORDING IGLESIAS, REPORT OF

HIGH LEVEL LA GOVERNMENT EXPERTS ON THIS SUBJECT WILL PROBABLY BE BASIS OF TECHNICAL MEETING DISCUSSIONS BEGINNING MARCH 20. IGLESIAS TOLD EMBOFF SEPARATELY THAT HE HAD SENT THREE COPIES OF ORIGINAL REPORT TO JOHN MCDONALD LAST WEEK, AND THAT FINAL REPORT (E/ CN.12/962)

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CONTAINED ONLY MINOR REVISIONS, PRICIPALLY IN PARA 22. (COMMENT: SINCE WASHINGTON ALREADY HAS REPORT, WE WILL NOT SUMMARIZE IT. CONTRARY TO WHAT VALDES SAID (REFTEL) US IS SPECIFICALLY CRITICIZED FOR ITS TRADE POLICY TOWARD LA IN PARA 63. ONCE COPY OF FINAL REPORT BEING SENT TO QUITO C/ O MYLES GREENE, WHILE ADDITIONAL COPIES WILL BE AVAILABLE IN QUITO FROM MRS. JACKSON, CHIEF OF ECLA DOCUMENTS SECTION.) IGLESIAS ALSO SAID THAT INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY WILL PROBABLY BE MAJOR PLENARY DISCUSSION TOPIC MARCH 26-28. HE STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF EXPERTS MEETING IN CURACAO LATER IN 1973 TO FOLLOW UP QUITO DISCUSSIONS AND DECISIONS THIS MATTER.

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4. POPULATION, ENVIRONMENT, AND MTNS. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF DISCUSSION POPULATION MATTERS AT PLENARY SESSION AND SAID SECRETARIAT WANTED CLEAR MANDATE IN FORM OF RESOLUTION SUPPORTING WORLD CONFERENCE ON POPULATION. MAURICE STRONG AND PEREZ- GUERRERO WILL PRESENT STATEMENTS ON ENVIRONMENT AND MTNS RESPECTIVELY.

5. WORK PROGRAM FOR ECLA. IGLESIAS PLANS TO ATTEND SESSIONS OF WORKING GROUP AND COMMENT ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF ECLA ACTIVITIES. EMBOFF NOTED THAT DOCUMENT ON DRAFT WORK PROGRAM DISCUSSED PROPOSED 1973-75 ACTIVITIES IN TERMS OF TRADITIONAL ECLA DIVISIONS AND DID NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT ANY REORGANZIATION PLANS. IGLESIAS SAID HE WILL PRESENT GENERAL OUTLINE OF PROPOSED REORGANIZATION, BUT HE HOPED HE WOULD BE GIVEN FLEXIBILITY TO ADAPT GENERAL IDEAS TO FUTURE SPECIFIC CHANGES IN WORK PROGRAM.

6. ILPES. IN RESPONSE TO DUTCH REPRESENTATIVE' S CONCERN ABOUT PRESENT STATUS OF INSTITUTE, IGLESIAS PREFERRED THAT TOPIC NOT BE DISCUSSED IN DETAIL AT QUITO MEETINGS BECAUSE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS NOT READY TO CONSIDER MATTER. RATHER, IGLESIAS PROPOSED THAT ECLAS CONVENE SEPARATE MEETING IN NEW YORK LATER IN 1973 TO DISCUSS FUTURE ROLE AND FINANCING OF ILPES.

7. BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS. IGLESIAS HOPED TO HAVE SEPARATE DISCUSSIONS WITH HEADS OF DELEGATIONS. HE SAID THAT JORGE VITERI, HIS CHEF OF CABINET, WOULD BE MAJOR LIAISON OFFICER WITH DELEGATIONS. DAVIS

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